

## Anthonij Rupert Optima 2018

Bold plum, hedgerow fruit with a tempting dried lavender perfume on the nose. The wine confidently stalks onto the palate. Sleek yet succulent with rich spicy forest floor and the same hedgerow notes from the nose. A brush of herbs and fynbos adds interest. The wine is structured with a firm core of oak which is supportive rather than prominent or overbearing. Beautifully elegant and poised with lovely harmony all the way to its lingering and smart finish. Drinking well now, it will reward additional patience and careful cellaring.

This red wine pairs well with lamb, beef and hard cheese.

**variety :** Cabernet Sauvignon | 37% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot, 27% Merlot

**winery :** Anthonij Rupert Wyne

**winemaker :** Dawie Botha

**wine of origin :** Western Cape

**analysis :** alc : 14 % vol   rs : 2.4 g/l   pH : 3.49   ta : 5.8 g/l

**type :** Red   **style :** Dry   **body :** Full   **taste :** Fruity   **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle   **size :** 750ml   **closure :** Cork

2023 Platter's Wine Guide - 4.5 Stars

**ageing :** This red wine has a cellaring potential of 10 - 15 years.

**in the vineyard :** The grapes selected for the Anthonij Rupert Optima, comes from our L'Ormarins Estate in Franschhoek and Rooderust farm in Darling. Specific sites, each with their own unique soil type and climatic conditions, were identified for the ideal grape selection, which make up unique components of the final blend in Optima.

**in the cellar :** The berries are from a selection of vineyards from our Rooderust farm and L'Ormarins farm. This combination contributes to the complexity achieved in the fruit and structure of the wine. All berries was sorted by an optic sorting machine to ensure that only the best quality grapes are used for vinification. Wine was fermented dry on the skins in various fermentation tanks and underwent extended post fermentation maceration. The wine was finally aged in 225L French oak barrels for 20 months with 30% new oak being used.



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